

And then,

¶8.13 ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOSS, by unanimous consent and pursuant to the special order heretofore agreed to, at 6 o'clock and 55 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 30, 1996.

¶8.14 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. GOSS:

H.R. 2902. A bill to suspend tariff reductions on winter tomatoes imported from Mexico until the President certifies to the Congress that existing mechanisms are sufficient to protect the domestic industry from import surges from Mexico; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KASICH (by request):

H.R. 2903. A bill to provide for deficit reduction and achieve a balanced budget by fiscal year 2002; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Commerce, Banking and Financial Services, the Judiciary, Agriculture, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, National Security, Veterans' Affairs, Resources, International Relations, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. TRAFICANT:

H.R. 2904. A bill to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 to ensure that any lease entered into by a Federal agency for office, meeting, storage, and other space necessary to carry out the functions of the Federal agency shall be subject to the leasing requirements of the Public Buildings Act of 1959; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

¶8.15 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 500: Mr. BILIRAKIS.
H.R. 835: Mr. FAZIO of California.
H.R. 972: Mr. OBERSTAR.
H.R. 1023: Mr. CASTLE and Mr. CONYERS.
H.R. 1364: Mr. HASTERT.
H.R. 1802: Mr. PICKETT.
H.R. 1834: Mr. BREWSTER.
H.R. 2036: Mrs. LINCOLN.
H.R. 2500: Mr. TRAFICANT and Mr. PICKETT.
H.R. 2619: Mr. KLECZKA.
H.R. 2856: Mr. STUDDS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. STARK.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1996 (9)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER at 12:30 p.m.

¶9.1 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 2111. An Act to designate the Federal building located at 1221 Nevin Avenue in Richmond, California, as the "Frank Hagel Federal Building".

H.R. 2726. An Act to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the text of the bill (H.R. 2029) "An Act to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to provide regulatory relief, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1543. An Act to clarify the treatment of Nebraska impact aid payments.

S. 1544. An Act to authorize the conveyance of the William Langer Jewel Bearing Plant to the Job Development Authority of the City of Rolla, North Dakota.

S. 1463. An Act to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to clarify the definitions of domestic industry and like articles in certain investigations involving perishable agricultural products, and for other purposes.

¶9.2 "MORNING HOUR" DEBATES

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the order of the House of Friday, May 12, 1995, recognized Members for "morning hour" debates.

¶9.3 RECESS—1:05 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 1 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m., until 2 o'clock p.m.

¶9.4 AFTER RECESS—2:00 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, called the House to order.

¶9.5 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, January 26, 1996.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶9.6 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

1985. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a listing of gifts by the U.S. Government to foreign individuals during fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2694(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1986. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1987. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled, "Evaluation of the D.C. Lottery Board's Wagering Cancellation Methodology," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

¶9.7 NOTICE REQUIREMENT—

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION— QUESTION OF PRIVILEGES

Mrs. MINK, pursuant to clause 2(a)(1) of rule IX, announced her intention to call up the following resolution, as a question of the privileges of the House:

Whereas virtually every nation in the world has adhered to a moratorium on nuclear tests since September 1992;

Whereas, on June 13, 1995, President Jacques Chirac of France ended his nation's adherence to the moratorium by ordering a series of nuclear tests in the South Pacific;

Whereas France has acted conducted six nuclear tests on the Pacific atolls of Moruroa and Fangataufa in French Polynesia;

Whereas France has acknowledged that radioactive materials from some of the tests have leaked into the ocean;

Whereas, as a result of the tests, the people of the Pacific are extremely concerned about the health and safety of those who live near the test sites, as well as the adverse environmental effects of the tests on the region;

Whereas, in conducting the tests, France has callously ignored world-wide protests and global concern;

Whereas the United States is one of 167 nations that have objected to the tests;

Whereas the tests are inconsistent with the "Principles and Objectives for Disarmament", as adopted by the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

Whereas, in proceeding with the tests, France has acted contrary to the commitment of the international community to the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and the moratorium on nuclear testing;

Whereas the President of France, Jacques Chirac, is scheduled to appear before a joint meeting of the Congress on February 1, 1996; and

Whereas, in light of the tests, the appearance of the President of France before the Congress violates the dignity and integrity of the proceedings of the House: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, by reason of the recent nuclear tests conducted by France in the South Pacific, the Speaker of the House shall take such action as may be necessary to withdraw the invitation to the President of France, Jacques Chirac, to address a joint meeting of the Congress, as scheduled to occur on February 1, 1996.

SEC. 2. On and after the date on which this resolution is agreed to, the Speaker of the House may not agree to the appearance before a joint meeting of the Congress by any head of state or head of government whose nation conducts nuclear tests.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, responded to the foregoing notice, and said:

"Under rule IX, a resolution offered from the floor by a Member other than the majority leader or the minority leader as a question of the privileges of the House has immediate precedence only at a time or place designated by the Speaker in the legislative schedule within two legislative days of its being properly noticed. The Chair will announce the Chair's designation at a later time. The Chair's determination as to whether the resolution constitutes a question of privilege will be made at the time designated by the Chair for consideration of the resolution."

¶9.8 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK— MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows: